Rollcall No. 644, on Agreeing to the Wittman Amendment to H.R. 3293, I would have voted "no."

Rollcall No. 645, on the Motion to Recommit with Instructions to H.R. 3293, I would have voted "no."

Rollcall No. 646, on Passage of H.R. 3293, I would have voted "yea."

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. BILL POSEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. POSEY. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks as well as in accordance with Clause 9 of rule XXI, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks for my Congressional District as a part of H.R. 3293—Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

Requesting Member: Rep. BILL POSEY and Rep. SUZANNE KOSMAS

Project Funding Amount: \$1,000,000

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: Employment and Training Administration

Legal. Name of Requesting Entity: Brevard Workforce Development Board

Address of Requesting Entity: Brevard Workforce Development Board, 597 Havarti Court, Suite 40, Rockledge, Florida 32955.

Description of Request. This funding will be used for the Brevard Workforce Development Board's Aerospace Workforce Transition initiative. The project will focus on safety of the remaining shuttle missions while preparing the workers for new jobs upon completion of the shuttle missions. This issue deserves national attention due to the sensitive nature of the space program with regards to defense, research and U.S. prominence in future space initiatives.

Consistent with Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge this request (1) is not directed to any entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) is not intended to be used by an entity to secure funds for entities unless the use of the funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark; and (3) meets or exceeds all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MICHAEL N. CASTLE

OF DELAWARE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. CASTLE. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding funding benefitting the State of Delaware included in H.R. 3326, the Fiscal Year 2010 Defense Appropriations Act.

Name of Intended Recipient: Delaware National Guard

Location: First Regiment Rd, Wilmington, DE 19808

Requesting Member: Congressman MICHAEL N. CASTI F

Account: DRUGS

Name of Project: Delaware National Guard Counterdrug Task Force

Project Description: The Act includes \$300,000 to provide counterdrug support to federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies and to Community Based Organizations requesting Drug Demand Reduction Assistance. Funding will provide unique military support and resources to our police agencies which enables the police to concentrate more police resources to other priorities in their department. Increased funding from federal appropriations will permit the Delaware National Guard to provide support to open requests from the FBI, Delaware State Police, and local authorities. It will also enable the Delaware Guard to expand its Drug Education Program.

Name of Intended Recipient: WL Gore & Associates

Location: 555 Paper Mill Rd., Newark, DE 19711

Requesting Member: Congressman MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Account: OM, DW

Name of Project: Special Operations Forces Modular Glove System

Project Description: The Act includes \$1,500,000 to accelerate the fielding of the Modular Glove System for U.S. Special Operations Forces (SOF). This is a five piece system that provides the war fighter the necessary protection across a wide range of climactic conditions. Developed to be compatible with the SOF's Protective Combat Uniform designed for frigid conditions, this SOF Modular Glove System provides cold weather protection to -50 degrees as well as waterproof protection in wet conditions. The Special Operations Command has an established requirement for a Modular Glove System to better meet the real-world mission needs of its SOF in a broad range of deployed environments. This funding would accelerate the fielding by about one year to ensure all U.S. SOF forces in theater have access to this high technology, readiness enhancing system.

Name of Intended Recipient: University of

Location: Hullihen Hall, Newark, DE 19716 Requesting Member: Congressman MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Account: RDTE. A

Name of Project: Composite Applied Research and Technology for FCS and Tactical Vehicle Survivability

Project Description: The Act includes \$1,500,000 to rapidly advance the Technology Readiness Level of existing and promising new ultra-lightweight composites structures and armor for combat and light, medium and heavy tactical vehicle applications. Using heavy materials such as steel and aluminum will continue to result in vehicles that are too heavy to transport and will overload vehicles that reduces life, increases maintenance costs and requires more frequent vehicle replacement. The project is addressing the critical needs of the U.S. Army to protect our soldiers and provide them with the best equipment to carry out their missions. Lightweight composite vehicle structures and armor increase mobility and mission payloads while increasing soldier protection against direct fire, improvised explodevices and sive explosively formed penetrators.

Name of Intended Recipient: INVISTA S.à

Location: 2801 Centerville Road, Wilmington, DE 19808

Requesting Member: Congressman MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Account BDTF A

Name of Project: Improved Thermal Resistant Nylon for Enhanced Durability and Thermal Protection in Combat Uniforms

Project Description: The Act includes \$1,500,000 to increase the safety and protection of U.S. soldiers with improved flame resistant, durable, and lower cost materials for the U.S. Army combat uniforms. These improvements will meet an urgent need due to the threat of Improvised Explosives Devices (IED). This project will fund and accelerate research, development, testing, and evaluation for nylon fiber development, fiber formulation, fabric scale up and performance blend specification for U.S. Army combat uniforms.

Name of Intended Recipient: ILC Dover LP Location: One Moonwalker Road, Frederica, DE 19946–2080

Requesting Member: Congressman MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Account: RDTE, DW

Name of Project: Joint Services Aircrew Mask Don/Doff Inflight Upgrade Project Description: The Act includes \$1,500,000 for research, development, testing, and evaluation of a Joint Services Aircrew Mask, which will provide above the neck Chemical, Biological, and Anti-G protection to DoD aircrew personnel. The mask is a hood that goes over the wearer's head and seals at the neck. This project will enhance our military's mission capability while minimizing performance degradation in chemical and biological contaminated scenarios.

Name of Intended Recipient: Piasecki Aircraft Corporation Location: 2nd Street West, Essington, PA 19029

Requesting Member: Congressman MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Account: RDTE, N

Name of Project: X-49A Envelope Expansion Modifications

Project Description: The Act includes \$4,500,000 to conduct flight demonstrations at New Castle County Airport in Delaware on the Vectored Thrust Ducted Propeller (VTDP) Compound Helicopter technology's potential to increase rotorcraft speed, range, and survivability. These funds will cover the cost of design, fabrication, assembly, instrumentation and check out of propulsion and control system modifications that will enable flight beyond the current operating limits of the baseline conventional helicopter. Many current U.S. combat and humanitarian operations require rotorcraft capabilities well beyond those of existing fleet helicopters.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183: Making Appropriations for Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies for Fiscal Year 2010.

Requesting Member: Rep. Christopher H. Smith

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Isles Inc., Address of Requesting Entity: Isles Inc., 10 Wood Street, Trenton, NJ 08618

Description of Request: The \$500,000 in funding would be applied to systems design and acquisition of materials and equipment for the green roof and both the photovoltaic and solar thermal arrays that will be installed on a portion of the roof at One North Johnston Avenue in Hamilton Township, New Jersey. The project also includes a enclosed observation deck with classroom capabilities.

GREENLAND BAPTIST CHURCH 150TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

July 27, 2009

Mr. SHIMKUS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 150th anniversary of Greenland Baptist Church of Beecher City, Illinois.

The church embraces its rich and remarkable history. On August 6, 1859, a council of five Baptist churches and pioneers from Knox County, Ohio, met and established the First Baptist Church of Greenland. The church's first gatherings were held at the Greenland schoolhouse. In 1889, a new building was dedicated, which still serves as the congregation's place of worship today.

I would like to congratulate the people of Greenland Baptist Church who are "remembering God's goodness," in celebration of their church's 150th anniversary, and I wish them a joyous and memorable occasion.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. W. TODD AKIN

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. AKIN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3288, the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman TODD

Bill Number: H.R. 3288 Account: FHWA TCSP

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Missouri Dept of Transportation, District 3

Address of Requesting Entity: PO Box 1067, 1171 S. Route 61, Hannibal, MO 63401

Description of Request: New Interchange, US 61 at S. Lincoln Drive, Lincoln County, MO. This request will fund the preliminary engineering for a new interchange at the intersection of US 61 and this business loop (South Lincoln Drive). US 61 in Missouri is the

continuation of I-64 north of I-70 and is on the National Highway System. Vigorous regional growth has resulted in an accident rate along this corridor—particularly at intersections—that is twice the state average. This location presently is the most critical area of need in Lincoln County along US 61. This new interchange at the south end of the business district in Troy, MO will eliminate a busy atgrade intersection, improve safety, and help alleviate traffic congestion.

Requesting Member: Congressman TODD

Bill Number: H.R. 3288 Account: FHWA TCSP

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Missouri Dept of Transportation, District 3

Address of Requesting Entity: PO Box 1067, 1171 S. Route 61, Hannibal, MO 63401

Description of Request: Bridge Replacement, MO Rt 79 at Sandy Creek, Lincoln County, MO. MO Route 79 is a heavily traveled 2-lane highway that runs 85 miles northwest along the Mississippi River from I-70 in St. Charles County to Hannibal, MO. This highway provides access to Lock & Dam 25 near Winfield, Lock & Dam 24 near Clarksville, and other communities along the river. This bridge replacement just north of the City of Foley is important to the residents of Foley, to the region, and two major Corps of Engineers projects: The Navigation and Environmental Sustainability Program (NESP), the Environmental Mitigation Program (EMP), as well as for normal Operations & Maintenance (O&M) activities for L&D 24 and 25.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOHN S. TANNER

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. TANNER. Madam Speaker, I rise to clarify my vote on rollcall vote 642, taken in this Chamber on July 24, on Mr. SOUDER's amendment to H.R. 3293—Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010. As I was returning from a meeting at the Pentagon, there was a miscommunication regarding which amendment was being considered, and I mistakenly voted "nay." I intended to vote "aye" on rollcall vote 642.

RECOGNIZING AMERICAN VETERANS FOR EQUAL RIGHTS

HON. MIKE OUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Chicago Chapter of the American Veterans for Equal Rights (AVER), an organization of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces, on the occasion of the City of Chicago's annual Salute to LGBT veterans.

Founded in 1992, the Chicago Chapter of AVER provides support to LGBT veterans in

the Chicago metropolitan area. Members of AVER have served in every war from World War II to Iraq and Afghanistan.

Each year, AVER members march in Chicago's Memorial Day Parade and in Chicago's Gay Pride Parade. By doing so, AVER members bear witness to the fact that gay and lesbian Americans have served throughout our history to defend the United States in time of war and to preserve our freedoms and democracy.

AVER fights not only for LGBT veterans but also for gay and lesbian soldiers currently serving in our armed forces, especially those who are in harm's way in Iraq and Afghanistan. AVER members travel to Washington every year to lobby members of Congress for an end to the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy.

For fifteen years, AVER has fought against this detrimental policy that requires gay and lesbian servicemembers to deny who they are and to lie about their lives. Our democratic allies—from the United Kingdom to Israel—allow gay and lesbian soldiers to serve openly without any adverse effects on military preparedness or morale. This is the basic fairness and justice that AVER seeks for gay and lesbian American soldiers.

Madam Speaker, I also want to recognize Jim Darby, the founder of the Chicago Chapter of AVER and a Korean War veteran. Jim served in the Navy as a Russian-language specialist. Along with all the other AVER members, Jim has fought tirelessly to educate the general public and the Congress about the plight of LGBT veterans and active servicemembers. What AVER seeks is what we should all seek: respect and honor for all those who have served and who are serving the United States of America through our Armed Forces.

CELEBRATING THE 60TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF BOB AND CLEOLA RICHARDSON

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. ENGEL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the longstanding and happy marriage of two of my constituents, Bob Fred Calvin Richardson and Cleola Johnson Richardson. This August 20 they will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary.

Bob and Cleola took their wedding vows at a garden ceremony at Mrs. Richardson's home in Meadville, Pennsylvania on August 20, 1949. They have since moved to Mt. Vernon, NY, where they owned and operated their business Richardson Electronics. They have been residents of Mt. Vernon for 45 years

Bob and Cleola have four wonderful children, Paula, Marilyn, Robert and Candice, ten grandchildren, as well as two great grandchildren. I want to congratulate Bob and Cleola Richardson on their 60th anniversary and wish them the best of luck as they spend the rest of their lives together.